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TO AMEMBASSY BAMAKO

INFO AMEMBASSY CONAKRY

AMEMBASSY DAKAR

AMEMBASSY LOME

AMEMBASSY NIAMEY

AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

AMEMBASSY PARIS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ML, BEXP, MILI

SUBJECT: MALI INTEREST IN POSSIBLE PURCHASE SEVERAL  
CIVILIAN HELICOPTERS

REF: A) BAMAKO 1217(NOTAL); B) OUAGADOUGOU 708

1. DEPT BELIEVES IT WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH US ARMS  
EMBARGO ON MALI AND UPPER VOLTA TO ENCOURAGE SALE  
OF HELICOPTERS TO GOVERNMENT OF MALI AT THIS TIME. AL-  
THOUGH TYPE HELICOPTERS UNDER CONSIDERATION NOT SUBJECT  
MUNITIONS CONTROL, HELICOPTERS ALMOST CERTAINLY WOULD  
BE USED FOR MILITARY PURPOSES IF FIGHTING RESUMED AFTER  
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THEIR DELIVERY. GOUV, AND AFRICAN STATES PRESENTLY

MEDIATING BORDER CONFLICT, UNLIKELY MAKE ANY DISTINCTION BETWEEN CIVILIAN AND MILITARY MODELS. PRESIDENT LAMIZANA ALREADY HAS VOICED HIS DEEP CONCERN ABOUT REPORTED ACQUISITION OF US HELICOPTERS BY GOM (REFTEL B).

2. DEPT WOULD RECOMMEND AGAINST EXPORT LICENSES AS LONG AS RESUMPTION OF HOSTILITIES BETWEEN GOUV AND GOM APPEARS LIKELY. SHOULD MEDIATION PROVE SUCCESSFUL, OR GOM- GOUV CONFLICT BE RESOLVED IN SOME OTHER WAY, DEPARTMENT WOULD FAVOR FACILITATION THIS PROSPECTIVE TRADE OPPORTUNITY.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY NOT FORWARD TRADE OPPORTUNITY AT THIS TIME. INGERSOLL

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